



MAIL STOP RCE  
PATENT  
3003-1115-1

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Rodney Alan CROSS et al. Conf. 7245

Application No. 10/565,172 Group 3676

Filed January 19, 2006 Examiner A. Pickard

IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO NON-CONTACTING FACE  
SEALS AND THRUSTS BEARINGS

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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August 13, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed May 13, 2008,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing  
of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.